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What is claimed is:

1	1.	A method for price auditing in a supply chain management framework,
2		comprising:
3	a)	collecting data from a plurality of stores of a supply chain utilizing a network, the
4		data relating to the sale of goods by the stores;
5	b)	generating electronic order forms based on the data for ordering goods from a
6		plurality of distributors of the supply chain;
7 :	c)	sending the electronic order forms to the distributors utilizing the network;
8	d)	receiving invoices from the distributors utilizing the network;
9	e)	calculating a price for the goods utilizing the electronic order forms and the
10		invoices; and
11	f)	auditing the price.
1	2.	The method of claim 1, wherein the price is audited by comparing the price to a
2		predetermined amount.
1	3.	The method of claim 1, wherein the price of the goods is calculated from the
. 2	• •	electronic order forms utilizing a table mapping a plurality of goods with a
3		plurality of prices.
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1	4.	The method of claim 1, wherein the electronic order forms are generated by the
2		stores.
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- 1 6. The method of claim 1, wherein an electronic mail alert is generated in response to the audit.
- 1 7. A system for price auditing in a supply chain management framework,
- 2 comprising:
- 3 a) logic for collecting data from a plurality of stores of a supply chain utilizing a
- 4 network, the data relating to the sale of goods by the stores;
- 5 b) logic for generating electronic order forms based on the data for ordering goods
- from a plurality of distributors of the supply chain;
- 7 c) logic for sending the electronic order forms to the distributors utilizing the
- 8 network;
- 9 d) logic for receiving invoices from the distributors utilizing the network;
- 10 e) logic for calculating a price for the goods utilizing the electronic order forms and
- the invoices; and
- 12 f) auditing the price.
- 1 8. The system of claim 7, wherein the price is audited by comparing the price to a predetermined amount.
- 1 9. The system of claim 7, wherein the price of the goods is calculated from the
- 2 electronic order forms utilizing a table mapping a plurality of goods with a
- 3 plurality of prices.

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- 1 10. The system of claim 7, wherein the electronic order forms are generated by the stores.
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- 1 12. The system of claim 7, wherein an electronic mail alert is generated in response to the audit.

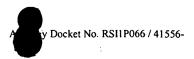


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- 1 A computer program product for price auditing in a supply chain management 13. 2 framework, comprising: 3 a) computer code for collecting data from a plurality of stores of a supply chain utilizing a network, the data relating to the sale of goods by the stores; 4 computer code for generating electronic order forms based on the data for 5 b) 6 ordering goods from a plurality of distributors of the supply chain; computer code for sending the electronic order forms to the distributors utilizing 7 c) 8 the network; 9 d) computer code for receiving invoices from the distributors utilizing the network; computer code for calculating a price for the goods utilizing the electronic order 10 e) 11 forms and the invoices; and 12 f) auditing the price.
- 1 14. The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the price is audited by comparing the price to a predetermined amount.
- 1 15. The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the price of the goods is 2 calculated from the electronic order forms utilizing a table mapping a plurality of 3 goods with a plurality of prices.
- 1 16. The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the electronic order forms 2 are generated by the stores.

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1 18. The computer program product of claim 13, wherein an electronic mail alert is 2 generated in response to the audit.